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MAJOR MCKINLEY should have no trouble in forming his cabinet, considering all the assistance he is receiving in that line.

THE farmers have raised good crops of cotton, wheat and corn and prices have been higher than usual since early fall—long before the election—and the present revival of prosperity is largely due to these facts. Give nature her share of the credit for the improved state of affairs.

THOUGH the Twice-a-Week Republic of St. Louis excelled all other Western weekly papers in publishing the news of the campaign, it now announces that it has extended its news service, and hereafter it will give its readers the best paper in the country. This means much, because the next twelve months will be crowded with news of big events. With all the improvements to its service the yearly subscription will be the same—one dollar a year, by mail, twice a week.

MOUSTACHES are now condemned because they afford such a convenient harbor for microbes. Whether this medical dictum will have the effect of increasing the labors of those necessary evils, the barbers, is doubtful, for so long as the fair sex contend that a kiss without a moustach is like an egg without salt, it cannot be expected that man will sacrifice the pet ornament of his upper lip—and osculation will continue even though it be accompanied by by microbial perils.

EVERY once in a while, some enterprising apologist for liquor drinking finds a man with a stomach and intestines wrought steel who has achieved more than the allotted three score and ten years and "been drinking red liquor daily since he was a young man." Virginia claims a specimen which is said to have imbibed no less than half a gallon of brandy daily for the last twenty years, never becoming intoxicated and being now " hale and hearty." These cases are as one in a hundred thousand, compared with the men who fill an early grave through diseases brought on by indulgence in strong drink, leaving behind them brokenhearted widows grown old long before their time, with the misery of living with a drunken husband, and children afflicted with disease or imbecility as their heritage of woe.

Cleveland, Nov. 12.—The schooner *Marine City* was driven ashore just before the pier this morning by a terrific storm of wind and snow. The life-saving crews succeeded, after much difficulty, in rescuing the crew of five men. The schooner is pounding hard and will soon be a total wreck. The schooner *Marine City*, coal laden, was also blown ashore near the river entrance, but pulled off without serious damage. The wind is blowing forty miles per hour from the northwest, accompanied by a blinding snow storm.

WILL OF AN ACTRESS.

San Francisco, Cal., Nov. 13.—Corinne, the actress, now playing in this city, executed her will yesterday. By its terms her jewelry, real estate, every costume and every bit of her personal property is to be sold for what it will bring. The lump sum should aggregate \$750,000, and with it a tract of land will be purchased just outside New York, upon which the "Corinne home for aged and unemployed actresses" will be built, the home to be open so that actresses can go or come as their necessities dictate. All religions and all nationalities will be welcome. Corinne wants it to be in all senses a home, and her idea is to save girls who can not find employment from disgrace and sin. She wants to extend them a helping hand until they can struggle back to their feet again.

HAVANA ADVICES.

Havana, Nov. 13.—The colonels of the Spanish army now in Havana have offered to retire 2000 volunteers to take the field for Spain. Committees have been organized to go into different districts of the country and collect funds for the popular subscriptions to increase the navy. No details have been received today regarding the movements of Captain General Weyler, but news is awaited with keen expectation and great confidence.

An insurgent named Apolonia Saez will be shot at the Cananes fortress tomorrow.

Colonel Aroe was conveying supplies from Placetas to Fernment when he was attacked by insurgents, eleven of whom were killed.

General Echague, who was wounded during the operations under Weyler at San del Rio, is better.

OF NO IMMEDIATE

BENEFIT.

Somerville Journal. According to Scriptural authority, the meek have a good chance of seeing heaven; but in this world they are always being stepped on.

The Prince of Wales has celebrated his fifty fifth birthday, and he is still waiting for that jeweled bauble which his mama is wont to wear upon her head on certain state occasions.

Claimed that no Request was Made As to The Movement of Troops.

Washington, Nov. 13.—Concerning the report coming from the West to the effect that the war department, because of trouble with Spain, has been making inquiries of the trunk line railways running to the gulf coast and along the Southern seaboard as to their facilities for moving war supplies, it can be stated that the only inquiry made within the past year by the department on this subject was one intended to ascertain the cost of executing the order, and about six weeks ago by the secretary of the war department, looking to the annual exchange of stations of troops. A regiment of troops in California and further north on the Pacific coast were ordered to exchange stations with troops that had been serving in the East and in Florida, and the quartermaster's department took steps to ascertain in advance the cost of the proposed movement in order to make sure that it would be within the available appropriations for the movement of troops. Of course this had no warlike aspect whatever for the same number of troops that were added to the department of the East were carried west to take their station in the department of California.

A flat denial is also given by the best authorities to a sensational story to the effect that the department has warned Spain against further outrageous treatment of American commercial agents doing business with Cuba.

It is said that owing to radical organic differences in the systems of customs collections pursued by Spain and the United States and the absence from the Spanish system of what is known in this country as post invoices, American shipping has been more or less embarrassed by detention growing out of failures to observe the technical requirements of the Cuban customs system. But this has been the case for years past and it is said that nothing has happened recently to cause any strain of the relations between the two governments on this score.

CARLISLE MAY RESIGN.

Washington, Nov. 13.—The story is published here that Secretary Carlisle is about to resign, so as to accept the pointment of associate justice of the supreme court, upon which a vacancy will be created by the voluntary retirement of Justice Field. The statement is not generally credited, as Justice Field, though one of the oldest sitting members on the bench, is said to entertain a certain antipathy to Mr. Cleveland, and is determined not to put it into the power of the present executive to name his successor.

FOOTBALL.

At Vicksburg: University of Louisiana 12, University of Mississippi 4.

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A despairing man, who had applied to us, soon after wrote:
"Well, I tell you that first day is one I'll never forget. I just bubbled with joy. I wanted to hug everybody and tell them my old self had died yesterday, and my new self was born to-day. Why didn't you tell me when I first wrote that I would shut it all away?"
And another thus:
"If you dumped a cart load of gold at my feet it would not bring such gladness into my life as your method has done."
Write to the ERIC MEDICAL COMPANY, Buffalo, N. Y., and ask for the little book called "COMPLETE MANHOOD." Refer to this paper, and the company promises to send the book, in sealed envelope, without any marks, and entirely free, until it is well introduced.

PEACE ON EARTH.

The most joyous Christmas ever known since the first one will be the first of the next century, when the whole Christian world will join simultaneously in a grand chorus, "Peace on earth."

That Christmas will be celebrated all the world over by one of the most novel ceremonies ever conceived, and preparations are now being made for its successful consummation.

It is now planned to begin the celebration with the ringing of the "Peace and Liberty Bell" in Jerusalem, and the committee having the celebration in charge has invited the Peace Bell committee to meet in the Holy Land Christmas Eve, 1900, on the spot where the shepherds received the message "Glory to God in the Highest."

Upon this occasion and at the same time the corner stone of the great temple to be erected in the Holy Land will be laid. Hundreds are expected to attend this ceremony, as the celebration will be one of the most memorable events in the history of the Christian world.

As now proposed, the bells will be connected with the cables reaching to all parts of the earth. Then a half hour before the time is set for its ringing, all telegraphic business is to be stopped, and every system in the world will be connected with the Jerusalem wire.

The thousands of wires will speed the message to millions of waiting people when the bell is rung. Every congregation in Christendom will be assembled in its place of worship. When the bell is rung the message, "Peace on Earth," will be flashed over the world at the same moment, and a grand, glorious chorus singing the doxology will rise from millions of throats.

Never in the world's history

has such an idea been conceived, and carried out, and never has there been such a grand chorus as will raise their voices in praise and rejoicing at the same time. The entire Christian world will take part, and those who evolved the idea are buying themselves preparing for the greatest Christian demonstration ever known.—Republic.

CURRENT JOKES.

Sunday school teacher—Who was Noah? Pupil—He was a weather prophet. When he said it was going to rain, nobody believed him.—Puck.

Madge, how did you and the French lady get along?" "Well, she understood what she said and I understood what I said."—Port Jervis Gazette.

Military dude (gazing at his portrait)—And yet the critics have the cheek to say that the artists of today have ceased to portray the beautiful.—Fliengende Blaetter.

Tommy—Paw, was there any fireworks in the days of the Bible? Mr. Figg—No, unless you count David. He was a pretty good giant cracker at one time.—Indianapolis Journal.

Lady—Thank you, sir; but I don't like to deprive you from your comfortable seat. Hibernian.—Be th' powers, young leddy, it was comfortable no longer when Oi saw you standin'.—Heriem Life.

ONE GIVES RELIEF.

R-I-P-A-N-S

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The Dangers of Divers.—The greatest danger to those who dive into the sea for valuables that have been sunk is that of falling asleep. On a hot day the contrast between the hot above and the delicious coolness below water is apt to make a diver sleepy. One of these men stated that he once slept half an hour at the bottom of a wreck, where he was laying a pipe.

Supposing that had happened in a channel where the tide runs so swiftly that a diver can work only during the one hour of slack water, the deadly rush of tide would have snapped the lifeline and hose. Then in working wrecks there is the danger of getting jammed in between freight or of getting the hose or line entangled. When the hose snaps at a great depth the tremendous pressure kills the diver. He is frightfully distorted by it.—Pearson's Weekly.

Steam Whistles.—The cause of sound in a steam whistle is the same as in any form of whistle or an organ pipe—viz, a vibration of the atmosphere induced by a vibration set up in a steam jet directed against the edge of the bell, the vibration of the air or steam column in the bell influencing the tone according to its length and diameter.—New York Ledger.

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MEDITATIONS OF AN OLD FISHERMAN.

You waver, though you dance by my feet like children at play. Though you glow and you glance, and you purr, and you dash. In the June that was warmer than these are the waves were more gay. When I was a boy, with never a crack in my heart.

The herring are not in the tide as they were of old. My sorrow! For many a crack gave the crew in the east. That carried the tale to Sago town to be told. When I was a boy, with never a crack in my heart.

And, ah, you proud maiden, you are not so fair when you are. Is heard on the water, as they were, the proud and apart. Who paced in the oar by the nets on the pebbly shore. When I was a boy, with never a crack in my heart.

—W. B. Yeats.

BUSY CLIFF DWELLERS.

The Pueblo Women Are Literally Embraces of Their Homes.

"The cliff people are a busy folk," writes Hamlin Garland in *The Ladies' Home Journal*, in an article describing the homes, home life and customs of the cliff dwellers of the southwest—"the most mysterious people in America," as he designates them. "The women grind meal and weave blankets and baskets and make very interesting and often beautiful pottery. The old men make moccasins very deftly, while the young men go down from the cliff to the fields to tend the growing crop, to watch the struggling corn as it battles against drifting hot sand and against sudden floods—such are the extremes of their climate. Each morning while I was in Hano I heard the men at early dawn go singing down the steep trail—down into the purple plain. Their quavering songs floated up to me with a strange beauty. Each morning, while it was still dark, the women woke me by entering the room where I lay to grind corn, and each night I went to sleep to the regular rhythm of the mauling stone timed to the mystical religious chant of the toiling women.

"Let it be said that there is no woman-slavery among these people any more than among the Navajoes. The women are chief property holders. The house is generally the woman's, and descent is through her and not through the father. The men are seldom severe in manner, and in Acoma and Walpi, as well as in Laguna and Zuni, I saw the men taking care of the babies and doing it with great tenderness and smiling patience. I saw no evidence of any severity except in case of the old women. They seemed to be the drudges of the household in Walpi and in Acoma, carrying wood and bottles of water up the steep trail, bent, withered, morose and complaining. They alone of all these people seemed saturnine."

Spotted a Sale.

A friend of mine was in one of the emporiums the other day and there sat across a very swell acquaintance sitting in the shoe department, where she was buying \$8 shoes for her daughters.

The haughty one seemed quite flustered when she saw my acquaintance and stammered out:

"I—I just came down to get some shoes for my servants."

Then, as she saw that the intruder was greeting one of her daughters, who was just in the act of trying on the aforesaid plebeian shoes, she hastily added:

"Addie is trying them on for her, as she has the same sized feet as Bridget." But this struck Addie as a little too ridiculous, and, as she was a plain, everyday American girl, without frills, she laughed aloud, much to her silly mother's discomfort.

"Oh, don't mind me!" she said. "That's just one of her jokes. These shoes are for me, and I wear two. Bridget wears sixes, I guess."

"The shoes are very good here," said my acquaintance, "and very much cheaper than on Broadway."

But the silly mother would have none of it.

She was furious with her plain spoken daughter and handed back the shoes to the man and woman who had bought them.

"I'll send our boys down," she said shortly. "That will be better. Come, girls. Hope to see you again, Mr. —"

And she swept out, with her nose in the air, followed by her giggling daughters.

"You spotted a sale," said the shop-girl as my acquaintance bowed. "But she'll come back again. She's a regular customer."—Polly Pyn in *New York Recorder*.

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